Remarks

The Examiner's Office Action of May 3, 2005 addressed claims 1-30. These claims had earlier been cancelled by a preliminary amendment effectively filed April 19, 2005, but apparently did not reach the Examiner in time. Applicant made telephone inquiry to Examiner Lulit Semunegus stating that applicant elects initial examination as to FIGS. 21a-b and to the extent a cartridge is a part of the claim, additionally FIG. 16c. Examiner Lulit Semunegus suggested a first group of claims 31-41 and 50, with a choice within that group between claim 34 or 35, and a second group of claims 42-49, with a choice within that group between claim 45 or 46. Applicant elected the first group of claims (31-41 and 50) and chose claim 35 and not 34 within that group. The Examiner reported that no response to the Office Action of May 3 was necessary, in light of the oral elections.

If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions to help speed the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may contact the undersigned by telephone.

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